

## Local Brevities.

THE DODGE CITY TIMES is one year old to-day.

A refreshing shower fell last Tuesday evening.

As the season advances the number of overland emigrants increase.

Another dozen of those fine black hats just received at A. B. Webster's.

A. J. Peacock will open a saloon in the new building adjoining Rath & Co's store.

The stockholders of the A. T. & S. F. road meet in Topeka on the 15th.

Buy no flour that does not bear the Turkish Crescent, for sale at Webster's.

The paymaster of the A. T. & S. F. pay car passed through here last Wednesday.

Sutton & Colborn commenced a suit for D. S. Weaver against the church building for painting.

The soldiers donned their white gloves yesterday and presented themselves to the paymaster, who paid each boy his due.

The contest between the merchants and city Council resulted in a compromise as per ordinance No. 34, herein published.

Mrs. P. F. Holsters, the Post Tailor's wife, as a tailoress, excels. A "logcabin" quilt of her make is an excellent specimen of handiwork.

Those carrying watches are requested to call at A. B. Webster's and get correct time from the mammoth Flour Clock. Harry winds her up.

Mr. H. B. Bell is making numerous repairs and improvements on his large building on the south side. The hall, when finished up, will be equal in appearance to any in the city.

Messrs. Gager & White have arranged their place of business in such shape as to greatly improve its appearance. They seem to take the lead in fresh garden vegetables.

Recollect A. B. Webster's delivery wagon commences on Monday. No extra charge for delivering goods.

THE Western House is now open, under new management, for board and lodging. Terms reasonable. Danham & Dawson, proprietors.

From Mr. Maley we learn that it was Mr. Baughman who had his thighs crushed by one of Mr. Anthony's freight wagons on the Cimarron. He was left at Camp Supply. It is thought he cannot recover.

We shall soon know what the District Court of Shawnee county think of the killing of J. Clarke Swayze by J. W. Wilson. The case comes up for trial next week.

It is said that another regiment is to be added to the Department of the Missouri, with headquarters at Fort Leavenworth, after which an artillery school will be established. — Leavenworth Times.

Mr. J. C. Connor, of the Sutler's Store, reports his agricultural interests flourishing and his poultry and pet stock doing well. His plantation "by the river side" will be an attractive country resort in time, but where will be the charm in living there all alone? Sad thought.

Joe Mason was appointed policeman by Mayor Kelley and confirmed by the Council this week. Joe is a quiet young man who attends strictly to his own business, but will not fail to "go to the joint" in case of a row. He will make a good officer.

An important case tried this evening before Judge Frost was the case of the City vs. John Mueller, for keeping a public boarding house. The evidence showed that Mr. Mueller boarded a few particular friends, and did not keep a house for the public. His decision was an acquittal.

**A House and Lot for Sale**  
South of the depot. Will be sold cheap for cash. W. GOENS.

**Notice!**  
Township Trustee Beatty wishes all assessment blanks which were left with property holders some time ago, filled out and returned by Monday evening next. Those not having blanks can obtain them at the County Clerk's office.

At the capture of "Kara" A. B. Webster secured 20,000 pounds of the best Russian XXXX and best brands of flour.

Some tramps broke into the church building one night this week and stole all the matches which belonged to the sacred edifice. When Mr. Carr heard about it he sorrowfully shook his head and remarked that it looked ominous for the instruments of Satan to commence stealing brimstone from the sanctuary of the lord during such warlike times, when ammunition is advancing.

Master Mechanic Hockett handed us a schedule of the new time table with the changes in the Superintendents' divisions marked out: The divisions are now as follows: Atchison division—from Atchison to Topeka, 50 miles; Kansas City division—from Kansas City to Emporia, 127 miles; Cottonwood Valley—from Emporia to Wichita, 101 miles; Arkansas Valley—from Newton to Lakin, 239 miles; Colorado, from Lakin to Pueblo, 194 miles.

Passenger engine No. 39 was ditched by a washout last Tuesday night. Owing to the presence of mind of the engineer and fireman no lives were lost and but little damage was done. Peter Telline, engineer, reversed the engine and put on the air brakes on the brink of the wash out, remaining on the engine until it fell off the track. This prompt action kept the cars safe on the track. Wm. Goens, the fireman, remained at his post until the engine started over the bank, when he jumped off and escaped unhurt. The accident occurred in the vicinity of Lakin.

Nothing on the list of pleasant amusements surpasses in moistness the double-quick act of riding horse-back five miles on a stretch during the prevalence of a penetrating drizzle. We revelled in this luxury yesterday afternoon between here and Fort Dodge, and we wish to bestow our most distinguished consideration upon "Lon," for his conduct on this occasion. "Lon" is a pony of superior pluck and speed belonging Mr. H. B. Bell. All we had to do was to "hold onto the strings" and "listen to the patter" while "Lon" was making mud fly like sky-rockets. Stiff hips and rheumatics in the back are mighty nice.

Prof. L. F. Johns, proprietor of the Kansas City String Band, has made an engagement with the Saratoga for the summer, and is just now being lionized by the lovers of music of our city. Even sedate pillars of the church, such as Brother Hungerford, Brother Boyer and Deacon Evans have been seen slyly listening, in close proximity to a chuckle stand, while the shepherd of the flock himself was noticed lurking among the shadows on the sidewalk in front of the saloon, gaining spiritual strength from the sublime melody. The Saratoga has been handsomely painted and grained, which makes it look nobly and attractive.

Wm. Meyer, the boneologist, had a runaway last Wednesday. He had put his shoulder to the wheel, as it were, and was hauling bones himself with a hired team. The horses got frightened at some Russian remarks Mr. Meyer got off, and started to run. At every jump they made Meyer sent a volley of Russian invectives after them, which only served to increase their speed. They stopped a mile up the Arkansas, after running into the water. The wagon was a total wreck, and Mr. Meyer says he is more than ever inclined to the opinion that cheese made of milk is superior to that which grows on trees, and has decided not to take stock in Dick Evans' bacon quarry. In fact, he has so far lost faith in our Western institutions as to almost doubt the existence of carpet tack trees and snuff mines.

The remnant of the 5th cavalry, consisting mostly of officers' families and servants, started from Fort Leavenworth last Thursday for Post No. 1 on Tongue river, to join Gen. Miles. Among the ladies who took passage were Mrs. Col. E. Butler, Mrs. Maj. G. W. Baird, Mrs. Capt. T. H. Logan, Mrs. Capt. G. P. Borden, Mrs. Capt. M. Carter, Mrs. Col. E. P. Evers, Mrs. Capt. T. P. Forbes, Mrs. and Miss Baldwin, Capt. F. H. Hathaway and wife, and Dr. Victor Blart. They were accompanied on board the steamer J. Donald Cameron by nearly all the officers of the garrison, who accompanied by their ladies, bade them a kind farewell, and parted with them with many expressions of sincere regret.

## PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rath started for Texas last week.

H. S. Holly, of Granada, registered at the Dodge House last Wednesday.

Lieut. T. M. Wenie came down from Fort Lyon this week.

Mr. W. P. Blackiston, of Walnut Grove, Ford county, was in the city last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. A. H. Johnson, General Stock Agent A. T. & S. F. was in the city this week.

Mr. J. H. Phillips' mother returned to her home in New York this week.

Mr. Geo. Kingsbury, of Leavenworth, uncle of Chas. Hungerford is in the city.

Mr. S. Samuels returned from St. Louis last Thursday morning. He informed us confidentially that his wedding contract has been sealed, and that Mrs. Samuels will soon grace the society of our city.

Mrs. R. M. Wright, of Fort Dodge, has been confined to her room with sickness for several days, but we are glad to learn that she is now recovering.

Mrs. Louis Pauly, of Fort Dodge, is preparing to start east for a three month's visit. The Hospital Steward will be left without a care, except his patients.

Adam Jackson, a young man who is well known and not unfavorably regarded, etc., and who smiles when you meet him, etc., but seldom visits the city, is in the employ of Hon. R. M. Wright, at Fort Dodge. He occupies the east wing of the Sutler store.

## Lap Jacket.

We yesterday witnessed an exhibition of the African national game of 'lap jacket,' in front of Shultz' harness shop. The game is played by two colored men, who each toe a mark and whip each other with bullwhips. In the contest yesterday Henry Rodgers, called Eph for short, contended with another darkey for the championship and fifty cents prize money. They took heavy new whips from the harness shop and poured in the strokes pretty lively. Blood flowed and dust flew and the crowd cheered until Policeman Joe Mason came along and suspended the cheerful exercise.

In Africa, where this pleasant pastime is indulged in to perfection, the contestants strip to the skin, and frequently cut each other's flesh open to the bone.

## Texas Cattle Drive.

[Special correspondence of the Price Current.]  
FORT WORTH, TEXAS, May 4, 1877.—The following herds have passed since my last report:

W. G. Butler, for Kansas, 1,700, mixed.  
Blocker brothers, two herds for Kansas, 2,770, mixed.  
Wheat, for Kansas, 2,300, mixed.  
McCarthy, for Kansas, 2,500, mixed.  
Plenty more near by on the trail, but nearly all are stock, cattle and generally thin.

## THE END OF TIME.

As Experienced by a Dodge City Bummer.

I first remember that, with many others, I stood watching the eclipse of the sun. A few moments before was delight. From light to darkness the transition was almost instantaneous. No one seemed to be aware that an eclipse was due. I watched closely for returning light. It came, but it resembled the flicker of an expiring rocket. The sun had exploded and vanished into eternal space surrounded by a halo of light which became less and less until the earth became shrouded in utter darkness. The moon lost its light and not a star gimmered in the heavens. The Earth heaved and sunk convulsively. Hissing comets with sparkling tails incessantly plunged beyond the horizon. This temporary light revealed the terror-stricken faces and trembling forms of the assembled multitude. From an adjacent river the water burst in columns of lurid spray. All were spell-bound and seemed to have lost their speech. Suddenly the entire horizon became illuminated and the whole earth became a molten mass of liquid fire. In thunder tones a voice resounded "THE END OF TIME!" Then it was that each seemed to claim protection from the other. All saw their own infirmities, even the strong man whose corrugated brow showed he had fought the battle of life, looked imploringly above and asked forgiveness. But time had ended! It was too late for repentance. The supreme magistrate had rendered his decision. The end of time!

I awoke, and satisfied myself that I still lived. But before I slumbered again I convinced myself that prior to my dream I had taken an overdose of bust-head.

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## Marriage of Mr. N. R. Draper.

Mr. N. R. Draper, of this city, with whom our readers are familiar, being a member of the well known mercantile firm of Hadder & Draper, returned from St. Louis last Thursday, bringing with him a newly wedded bride. Mr. Draper and Miss C. E. Collins were married at St. Bridget's Church, St. Louis, on Friday, April 23d. After the wedding a reception was held at the residence of the bride's uncle, Mr. Chas. Tatune. Taking the evening train for the east the newly married couple visited Mrs. Draper's relatives and friends in Chicago and other points. Returning by way of St. Louis and Leavenworth, and stopping at the latter city to pay Mr. Draper's parents and relatives a visit they arrived at Dodge City about two weeks after their marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Draper are stopping at the Dodge House for the present, where they will remain until their residence on Military Avenue is completed. As Mr. Draper is well and universally respected in both social and business circles here, we have only to add our own congratulations and best wishes to the many that have greeted him since his return. Although Mrs. Draper may for a time feel a loss of the many advantages in some respects which the east possesses over the west, yet surrounded by the best ladies of our community, who seem to take a great interest in their new acquaintance, she will find the west not so bad as many would suppose.

Mr. Ed. S. Hedden and Mr. John Collier have exchanged positions and Mr. Hedden is now night operator, night watchman and mail messenger, the position which Mr. Collier has so long and faithfully filled. Mr. Collier takes Mr. Hedden's place on the road.

## Sickness of Gen. Grant.

PHILADELPHIA, May 10.—Ex-President Grant, on leaving the exhibition today, was driven to the Union League House as guest of that body. On his way he was taken sick and compelled to stop and take a dose of quinine. Reaching the League he was taken with a chill and compelled to lie in blankets for nearly three quarters of an hour. On recovering he was taken to the carriage and driven to Mr. Paul's residence. His condition would not warrant him attending the reception to the President as it was his intention to have done.

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## Ordinance No. 34.

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO LICENSE TAX.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Councilmen of the City of Dodge City:

SECTION 1. That Section one of Ordinance Number thirty-two entitled "An Ordinance relating to License Tax be amended so as to read as follows:

Auction houses per day.....	\$ 5.00
Auction houses per annum.....	10.00
Druggists per annum.....	10.00
General stores per annum.....	15.00
[The term "General Store" as used in this ordinance shall be construed to include Dry Goods, Clothing, Hats and Caps, Boots and Shoes, Hardware, Groceries, Produce, Groceries, Notions, Jewelry, Lumber, and all other articles not mentioned or licensed in this or any other ordinance in this city.]	
Dry Goods and clothing or any one of the above branches of business not otherwise specified or mentioned per annum.....	10.00
Confectionery and bakery per annum.....	5.00
Restaurants per annum.....	10.00
Hotels per annum.....	10.00
Public Reading Rooms per annum.....	5.00
Butchers per annum.....	10.00
Circus and menagerie per day.....	10.00
Theatricals, concerts or sleight of hand performances per day.....	2.00
Any show of puppets, wax figures, pictures or any display of tumbling, feats, tricks or rope dancing, or any other exhibition of whatsoever description per day.....	2.00
Drugs, cards or other vehicles used in this city for hire and profit per annum.....	5.00
Livery and feed stable keepers per annum.....	10.00
To include all parties who feed horses, mules, oxen or other stock for pay, or who furnish or provide the feed for such stock, or keep or maintain any place, lot, shed or corral used for the feeding of stock and receive pay therefor.	
Insurance companies or agents or agencies per annum.....	5.00
Millinery and fancy goods per annum.....	5.00
Photograph galleries, per day.....	2.00
Photograph galleries, per annum.....	10.00

SECTION 2. That Ordinance No. 32, of which this is amendatory is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in force and take effect from and after its publication once in the Dodge City Times.

Passed the Council May 12, 1877.

Approved May 12, 1877. J. H. KELLEY, Mayor.

E. F. COLBORN, City Clerk.